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From: Chesnutt, John

**Sent:** Fri 9/14/2018 8:04:18 PM

Subject: RE: NEW QUESTION: Media query - SF Chronicle - HPNS Parcel A

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From: Huitric, Michele

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2018 12:32 PM

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Subject: RE: NEW QUESTION: Media query - SF Chronicle - HPNS Parcel A

Great. is additional Superfund review needed?

From: Chesnutt, John

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2018 12:21 PM

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Subject: RE: NEW QUESTION: Media query - SF Chronicle - HPNS Parcel A

Sounds good to me too

From: Harris-Bishop, Rusty

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2018 12:13 PM

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Subject: RE: NEW QUESTION: Media query - SF Chronicle - HPNS Parcel A

Sounds good to me as well.

From: Fairbanks, Brianna

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2018 12:05 PM

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That sounds fine to me.

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From: Huitric, Michele

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2018 11:48 AM

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<u>Bishop.Rusty@epa.gov</u>>; Huitric, Michele < <u>Huitric.Michele@epa.gov</u>> **Subject:** NEW QUESTION: Media query - SF Chronicle - HPNS Parcel A I told reporters to contact navy/cdph for that info and got this in response:

Michele, EPA's statement to us last night said that EPA "oversaw" the removal of this object. EPA clearly had a lead role here. Can you explain why you are sending us to other agencies and can't provide the information?

How is this for follow-up response?

EPA was onsite for the removal of the deck marker and oversaw the process. EPA did not take direct radiation measurements of the object; that was handled by the Navy and CDPH.

Thoughts?

Thanks, Michele

From: LEE, LILY

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2018 10:42 AM

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Subject: Yes, redirect to CDPH & Navy - RE: Media query - SF Chronicle - HPNS Parcel A

EPA did not take direct measurements. We should refer them to the Navy and CDPH.

From: Huitric, Michele

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2018 10:31 AM

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Subject: Media query - SF Chronicle - HPNS Parcel A

Chronicle reporters Jason Fagone and Cynthia Dizikes reached out last night for EPA comment on Parcel A scanning, so I sent them the cleared statement (below) last night. now they have this follow-up question and want to hear from us by COB today. Is this a question that we would answer or better handled by Navy or CDPH?

**Question:** Quick follow up, can we get the actual counts per minute and dose rate in millirems/hr from the scan and from the object after it was dug up?

Thanks, Michele

## **Cleared statement:**

The Navy is the lead agency on the cleanup at the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard Superfund site and the California Department of Public Health is the lead agency for radiation scanning on Parcel A at The Shipyard development. EPA, along with its state regulatory agency partners, oversees and enforces Navy compliance with the Superfund law and other requirements to ensure the cleanup process – including Parcel A scanning – protects human health and the environment.

During the Parcel A scanning process, CDPH discovered one Navy-related object, a deck marker (1.5 inches in diameter), that contains radiological material. EPA oversaw the immediate removal of the object. Due to its location and level of radiation, the object was not causing harm to residents or workers. The cleanup process for HPNS requires Navy-related radiological material be cleaned up upon discovery (as opposed to other types of radiological material, such as naturally occurring radiation in granite).

EPA is working with the Navy to determine if and how the site cleanup needs to be adjusted. EPA supports completing scanning at Parcel A on a faster timeline than originally planned and making the scanning process more thorough at the Hunters Point site.

EPA remains committed to ensuring that the Bayview-Hunters Point community is protected from exposure to radiation and that the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard Superfund site can be safely used for work, recreation, and residential purposes.

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